

***Amendments to the Specification:***

Page 1, after the title, insert—BACKGROUND—

Please rewrite the entire fourth paragraph beginning on page 2, line 24 as follows:

—The ~~An~~ object on which the invention is based is to provide an apparatus ~~of the type initially mentioned and specified in the preamble of claim 1~~ for the forming of a strip, formable at increased temperatures, in a continuous run on the surface of a rotating drum which is to be heated and/or cooled in predetermined stationary regions, in which the heat losses are reduced in spite of the use of a cylindrical drum.—

Please delete the entire fifth paragraph beginning on page 2, line 30 and ending on page 2, line 32.

Page 2, line 33, insert—SUMMARY—

Please rewrite the entire first full paragraph beginning on page 5, line 4 as follows:

—The hydrostatic pressure of the lubricating liquid does not need to be constant over the circumference of the drum or of the carrier body. On the contrary, a separate and regulated liquid supply can ensure that the pressure is higher in those zones in which a particularly high supporting action is desired

than in other zones. In particular, the pressure in those zones in which the liquid or plastic material is distributed between the surface of the drum and a calibrating countersurface may be set higher ~~that~~ than in the zones which follow in rotation.—

Page 6, line 33, insert—BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS—

Page 7, line 11, insert—DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS—

Please rewrite the entire last paragraph beginning on page 14, line 35 and ending on page 15, line 13 as follows:

—Fig. 7 shows an axial view of an alternative design of the supporting body. This ~~consists of~~ comprises two half-cylinder shells 80 and 81 which are separated by slots 82. They are connected by means of joints 83 and 84 resembling piano hinges. The two half-shells 80, 81 are not connected directly to the flanges 14, 15. Instead, the joint axes 85, 86 of their joints 83, 84 are fastened with their two ends in the flanges. One of the two joint axes, preferably that which is nearest to the calender roller 7, is connected rigidly to the flanges. The other hinge axis 86 is guided therein in such a way that it can move only radially, but not in a circumferential direction. The half-shells 80, 81 are thereby secured unequivocally with respect to the flanges in geometric terms in any thermal state. Owing to the radial mobility of the joint axis 86 with respect to the flanges, said half-shells also have the possibility of expansion.—